

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Currently Amended)** A coating apparatus comprising:
a rotary drum in which particles to be treated [[is]] are accommodated;
a casing in which the rotary drum is accommodated; and
a spray nozzle unit placed in the rotary drum, wherein:
the rotary drum is rotated rotatable around an axis inclined with respect to a horizontal line, and has an opening at one end on an inclination upper side;
the spray nozzle unit is removably attached to a swing arm; and
the swing arm is swingable around a swing pivot set outside of the rotary drum provided
at the casing; and owing to a swing operation of the swing arm, such that the spray nozzle unit is capable of being moved between an a position inside of the rotary drum and an a position outside of the rotary drum.

- 2. (Currently Amended)** A coating apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:
a liquid tube holder for holding a liquid tube of a spray solution connected to the spray nozzle unit,
wherein the liquid tube holder is removably attached to the swing arm.

- 3. (Currently Amended)** A coating apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:
an air tube of compressed air to be connected to the spray nozzle unit,
wherein the air tube is inserted in the swing arm.

- 4. (Currently Amended)** A coating apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:
a discharging mechanism for discharging particle products which have undergone coating treatment from an inside of the rotary drum,
wherein at least a partial surface of a discharging path of the particle products is formed of a surface with unevenness for improving a sliding property.

- 5. (Currently Amended)** A coating apparatus according to claim 2, further comprising:
an air tube of compressed air to be connected to the spray nozzle unit,
wherein the air tube is inserted in the swing arm.

6. (Currently Amended) A coating apparatus according to claim 2, further comprising:
a discharging mechanism for discharging particle products which have undergone coating treatment from an inside of the rotary drum,

wherein at least a partial surface of a discharging path of the particle products is formed of a surface with unevenness for improving a sliding property.

7. (Currently Amended) A coating apparatus according to claim 3, further comprising:
a discharging mechanism for discharging particle products which have undergone coating treatment from an inside of the rotary drum,

wherein at least a partial surface of a discharging path of the particle products is formed of a surface with unevenness for improving a sliding property.

8. (Currently Amended) A coating apparatus according to claim 5, further comprising:
a discharging mechanism for discharging particle products which have undergone coating treatment from an inside of the rotary drum,

wherein at least a partial surface of a discharging path of the particle products is formed of a surface with unevenness for improving a sliding property.